



Neighborhood Enhancement Program

Project Commitment Agreement

(community/neighborhood)

In order for final acceptance by the City as an NEP Community, the following pre-NEP organization efforts will demonstrate proof of community-wide commitment upon which the City will base its final determination to name _____ an NEP partner.

By completing the requirements of this agreement, _____ community leadership accepts the delineated focus area boundary, all NEP-related City actions including focused code and law enforcement efforts, and will actively participate and maintain a positive relationship with the City and all community partners through conclusion of the NEP close-out press conference.

By completing the "pre-work" items below, _____ community will be better positioned to have a successful 90-day NEP effort and identify partners for sustainability of these positive outcomes for the future.

NEP program outline, map of focus area boundaries, and reference information are posted at www.cincinnati-oh.gov/

I. Letters/Signatures of Commitment

Provide letters of support from the following (constructing a Community Asset Map may help in identifying potential partners):

- Community Council
- Neighborhood Business Association
- Urban Redevelopment Group
- Social Service Agencies
- List of contacts for schools, churches, businesses, organizations inside the boundary area willing to partner during the NEP
- List of residents with contact information inside the NEP boundary area willing to participate in the NEP

II. Management Structure

A. Steering Committee: Required Members: At minimum, the committee will include a representative from the Community Council, the Business Association, the redevelopment agency (if exists), and a resident living within the focus area.

- Name:
- Steering Committee position (Chair, Vice Chair, etc.):
- Organizational Affiliation/Title:
- Specific NEP Contributions/Strategic Roles/Responsibilities:

B. Community Subcommittees: Identify any anticipated subcommittees and chairperson contact information. (Examples of subcommittees include Safety, Quality of Life, Housing, Litter Patrol, etc.)

C. Role of Residents in Strategy Implementation: Resident involvement on the Steering Committee/subcommittees/events

- How resident leadership will be developed & maintained within the NEP locale

D. Communication Plan: Communication tools and applications

- Focused/Continued outreach strategies:
- Other communications and public relations elements:

III. Needs Assessment/Analysis: To result in a prioritized “wish list” of goals to be accomplished during the 90-day effort. Focus on:

- Addressing crime/Crime prevention (S.A.R.A., CPTED)
- Clean/beautification (Blight Index Volunteers)
- Community building
- Economic development
- Facilitator (if one is selected)

IV. Additional Resource Providers: Contact information for all partners from outside the NEP Focus area who have committed to assist in NEP projects or events.

- Contact Person:
- Title:
- Organization:
- Strategic Importance to efforts/Contribution:

V. Events: Ideas for:

1. NEP Kick-off
2. Great American Clean up (April) or Make a Difference Day (October)
3. Team building/community engagement activities
4. NEP Close Out

VI. Performance Measures: What is “success” and how will you measure it?

- How partners will track, evaluate, and report progress and performance measures for 30-, 60-, 90-day and one-year reports.

VII. Sustainability and Leveraging: Plans to leverage community resources in support of the NEP strategy and sustainability efforts that will allow building volunteer, in-kind, financial and other support that will enable the strategy to continue long-term: